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To amend section 605 of the Communications Act of 1934 in
order to increase the Security of the United States,
and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives
of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That
section 605 of the Act of June 19, 1934, entitled "An Act
To provide for the regulation of interstate and foreign
communication by wire or radio, and for other purposes"
(48 Stat. 1103; 47 U.S.C. 605), as amended, is hereby
further amended by striking therefrom the period at the
end of said section and substituting therefor a colon
followed by the words: "Provided further, That this sec-
tion shall not apply to the interception, receipt, or
utilization, in the interests of national security, by ~~a~~
of the Military Establishment and the Central Intelligence Agency,
~~department or agency of the United States Government which~~
is expressly designated by the President for this purpose
~~is expressly designated by the President to engage in com-~~
munication intelligence activities for the United States,
of the contents of any communication, by wire or radio,
of any foreign government, and all carriers subject to
this Act are hereby authorized to permit such interception,
receipt, or utilization of the contents of any such com-
munication by wire or radio. The term "foreign government"
as used in this section shall be construed to include in

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its meaning any person or persons acting or purporting to act for or on behalf of any faction, party, department, agency, bureau, or military force of or within a foreign country, or for or on behalf of any government or any person or persons purporting to act as a government within a foreign country, whether or not such government is recognized by the United States. The term "communication intelligence" as used in this section shall be construed to mean all procedures and methods used in the interception of communications and the obtaining of information from such communications by other than the intended recipients."